Histhome Mr York meditated all afternoon over the transfers and then issued this state.

"BEYOND MY UNDERSTANDING"—YOUR.

"My first knowledge as to the transfers was obtained from the attaches of the newscapers in this building. I have as yet seen no official order making them. What, if any, reason there is for the transfer of Deputy Chief hielaughlin I do not know, nor can I imagine He has tried in every way to manfully discharse his duties, and in my opinion has succeeded very well, considering the difficulties surrounding him.

"The transfer of the captains in Brooking precincts is beyond my understanding. Captains were sent back to precincts from which they were transferted sone time ago because the conditions which then existed in their procincts were not what they should have been and the results from the changes showed the sisdom of them. If the changes their power to preserve better conditions in their procincts, I do not know. I do know, however, that the changes in the conditions brought about by Capts. O'Reilly, Reynolds, Leavy and Drasoll in their procincts were decidedly for the better, and that better conditions have continued while they have been in the succinct.

"The power to infle these transfers, however, is vested in the chief executive officer of the department, and with him the responsibility rests. Time will determine the effect of them. As to the change in the Deputy Chief, in my indement, this power rests alone with the Police Board. So that there shall, however, he no contenion upon this power of the board in this matter.

"In what I have said it will be understood that I speak for myself alone."

"Execution in Mulberry Street is that from BEYOND MY UNDERSTANDING"-YORK.

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The opinion in Mulberry Street is that from now on it will be a fight to a finish between the Chief and the President of the board. For a long time they have not spoken except on official business. Just on what grounds Mr. York hopes to upset the thief's action in transferring the two deputy chiefs is not apparent. Section 222 of the Charter, which refers to the duties and powers of the Chief, says: "He shall resign to duty the officers and members of the police force, and shall have the power to change such assignments from time to time, whenever, in his judgment, the exigencies of the service may require such change." From this, Mulberry Street judges that the Chief has been within his rights in making the transfers.

Several weeks ago, according to report in Mulberry Street. Chief Devery and Deputy Chief Mol auchin had a dispute, at the end of which the Chief remarked. "Now go and tell your boss" (meaning Itush McLaughlin, the Democratic lander in Kings county) "that Mr. York told a friend that the Chief could not do anything to the Departy Chief, as he didn't have the rower." McLaughlin's transfer is supposed to be the Chief's answer to the challenge. The Clief has sent at the same time back to their old precincts Capts. Cullen. Brown, Lawson and Hardy, whose transfers Mr. York in isted on last August, when a small tree cruside was started at Coney Island and in certain sections of South Brook-lyn. It was said at that time that Chief has all along asserted that there should be no interference with his method of handling his mean.

conference held in Chief Devery's office Friday night was much discussed at Head-riers after the transfers were announced, this conference there were present the ef and Commissioners Sexton and Abell s supposed now that the shake-up was er consideration then.

lobody was more surprised with his trans-than Capi McClusky. He was going into private office in the Detective Bureau en he was fold by a reporter that he had a moved to the Grand Central station, hand hook so much the this key didn't go when he was told by a reporter that he had been moved to the Grand Central station. His hand shook so much that his key didn't go essily into the lock after he heard the news. When at last he opened the door he said: "I haven't heard of it. I've nothing to say." The reasons for his transfer and for the four others connected with it are numerous and contradictory as given by those supposed to know the inside track in Mulberry Breet. One story had it that McClusky hadn't done himself any good by raiding a certain bucket shop and not interfering with others. McClusky, however, has not been popular in the department since he has been in command t the Detective Bureau, and another story had it that this was the principal reason for his down(all).

remain there all the time now," one of detectives remarked on hearing of the ansfer. McClusky was installed in the Detective mean by John McCull gh when he was hief, the was Syrnes's right hand man id was known in the force as "Gentleman"

POLITICS OF THE SHAKE-UP

RUGH M'LAUGHLIN SAYA KINGS COUNTY WONT STAND IT. Devery Mast On and If Tammany Backs film, Good-by to Tammany Kings County Poli-ticians Say Tammany Was Hinfied Into Doing Something by the Republicans.

The action of Chief Devery in making the transfers is very distasteful to ex-Register Hugh McLaughlin, who is in control of the Kings county Democracy While it is said

nue Hotel and others were at Delmonico's, nue Hotel and others were at Delmonico's, and still more were at the Waldorf-Astoria. Senator Patrick Henry McCarren, Mr. McLaughlin's Heutenant, was at Delmonico's, and he was very angry because a Republican pelice official had been put in charge in Brocklyn. He did not care to be specifically quoted, but he was not in a pleasant frame of mind. Senator Platt, National Committeman Frederick S. Gibbs for the State of New York, and William H. Ten Eyck, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Republican County Committee, had a long talk at the County Committee, had a long talk at the

After the confab there was a report to the effect that Senator Platt and Mr. Gibbs | Tammany Purifiers Announce That They and those associated with them had frightened Tammany into making this shake-up for the purpose of getting rid of Police Commissioner Jacob Hess and naming in his

understood last night, is that Mr. Wilbur is a resident of the Nineteenth Assembly district from which Collector George R. Bidwell comes. The objection was that two great appointments could not be made from the same Assembly district.

City vignance League stants ready to full the committee with evidence has not been asked for yet and Mr. Moss has not formally offered it. The Tammany Purifiers will meet again Monday, at which time plans for the cleaning out of Capt. Diamond's precinct will be formulated. from the same Assembly district.

It was very apparent from the conversation last night with Mr. Platt that Mayor Van Wyck would not reappoint ex-Police Commissioner Thomas L. Hamilton, and Mr. Gibbs is quite ready to admit this to be

Mr. Gibbs and the Hon. John F. Carroll. Mr. Croker's representative, have had a long conference within the last few days and it was apparent at the end of this talk that Mayor Van Wyck would not reappoint Mr. Hamilton. Mr. Cibbs has pinned his entire taith to Mr. Hamilton. He has believed that Mayor Van Wack should reinstate Mr. Hamilton on the ground that Mr. Hamilton was unjustly removed.

Other Republican politicians believe that great many other Republicans have insisted that Mr. Wilbur should be the man. The latest turn is to the effect that ex-Senator Page is to succeed Mr. Hess.

A large-sized grin was over the face of all

ALDERMAN AT HER BACE. Woman Habitus of the Tivell Fined for So

Heleing All the Same. "Lou" Baker, a mulatto woman who has been frequently arrested for theft and street walking, was gathered in in front of the Tivolt on Friday night while she was under the escort of Alderman his Encancy and despite loud protests from the Alderman. The arrest was made by Beyer and Binning, the plain clothes policemen detailed by Capt. Thomas Kings county Democracy While it is said that he was extremely angry when he heard of the transfers, yet he declined to be interviewed by the reporters. He spent several hours in playing dominoes in the basement of the Borough Hail, Brooklyn, last night in discussing the matter yesterday he said to a friend.

"Whom the gods destroy they first make mad. If my advice is asked I shall advise the cutting loose of the Kings county Democratic organization from any organization or individual that sustains or upholds Mr. Devery.

"I do not know that this act of Devery's is sustained by Tammany Hall. It may be a personal matter with Devery to get in a parting slap at President York, who recently demanded his resignation as Chief of Police."

Go where you would last night and the politicians, Republicans, Democrats and muswumps, talked about the great police shake-up. Many politicians were at Delmonico's, "No, an Alderman," replied McEneaney.

"No, an Alderman," replied McEneaney. to arrest all women seen entering it without escorts. The Baker woman went in alone

SEWARD PARK PEDLERS GONE.

Will Tackle the Fifth Street Police.

The removal of pedlers from Seward Park on East Broadway yesterday morning by employees of the Park Department was place either the Hon. Charles S. Wilbur, just unaccompanied by disturbance of any kind retired as United States Supervisor of the Most of the pedlers had been informed of retired as United States Supervisor of the Census for this district, or ex-Senator Charles B. Page, who is now one of the Inheritance Tax Collectors under the new law. A great many Republicans of renown have desired the appointment of Mr. Wilbur on the ground that he was a most efficient executive officer and a highly respected citizen.

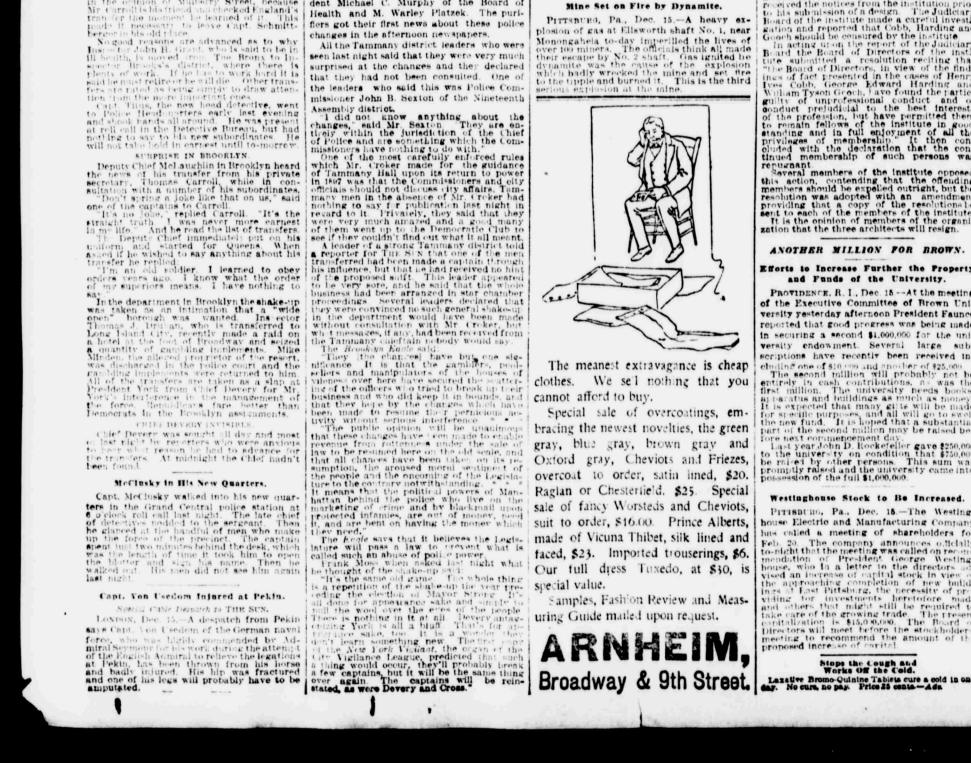
The objection made to Mr. Wilbur, it was understood last night, is that Mr. Wilbur in the committee of Efficient had no news the committee of Efficient had no news that the value of the committee of Efficient had no news the

> VICE IN NEWARK. Singular Apparent Difference in Capacity

of Two Police Captains. Capt, Corbitt of the First precinct in Newark and Capt. Ubhaus of the Third precinct will change places on Jan. 1, by order of the Police Commissioners. Chief Hopper's report in relation to the vice crusade in the city showed that Capt. Ubhaus could find only one disorderly house in his big precinct on the hill, white Capt. Corbitt reported thirts-nine in his small precinct in the centre of the city. The latter will have a chance to find a large number which Cart. Ubhaus has overlooked, and it remains to be seen what the latter will do with these reported in the First precinct by Capt. Corbitt's men.

Outnumber at Prst the Representative Dele-

gates in the Central Committee. A large-stand and worked thinself up to a standard gains of numerical contents of the sax same of two particles of the sax same of the politicists. The universal opticists of the sax same of the sax sam The delegates to the new Central City sons adjudged guilty of unprofessional conthe politicians. The universal opinion was Committee of the Citizens' Union held a duct is repugnant to its members, and is an



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ARCHITECTS UNDER A BAN. THREE WELL-KNOWN MEN CENSURED

BY THE AMERICAN SOCIETY. Henry Ives Cobb, George Etward Harding and William Tyson Gooch Practically Told to Get Out for Unprofessional Conduct - Harrisburg Capitol the Cause. WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 .-- At the closing meeting of the American Institute of Architeets in this city to-day Henry Ives Cobb, George Edward Harding and William Tyson Gooch, three of the best-known architects in the country, were practically forced out of the institute through the adoption of a resolution which declared that, "the continued membership in the institute of per-

three members of the institute opposed repurant.

Several members of the institute opposed this action, contending that the offending members should be expelled outright, but the resolution was adopted with an amendment providing that a copy of the resolutions be sent to each of the members of the institute. It is the opinion of members of the organization that the three architects will resign.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 15 .- At the meeting of the Executive Committee of Brown University yesterday afternoon President Faunce reported that good progress was being made in securing a second \$1,000,000 for the university endowment. Several large subchiding one of \$10,000 and another of \$25,000.

The second million will probably not be The second million will probably not be entirely in cash contributions, as was the first million. The university needs books, as paratus and buildings as much as money. It is expected that many gitte will be made for specific purposes, and all will go to swell the new fund. It is hoped that a substantial part of the second million may be raised before next commencement day.

Last year John D. Rockefeller gave \$250,000 to the university on condition that \$750,000 be raised by other persons. This sum was promptly raised and the university came into possession of the full \$1,000,000.

PITISBURG, Pa., Dec. 15.—The Westing-house Electric and Manufacturing Company has called a meeting of shareholders for has called a meeting of shareholders for Feb. 20. The company announces oficially to-night that the meeting was called on recommendation of President George Westinghouse, who has better to the directors advised an increase of capital stock in view of the approaching completion of new buildings at East Pittsburg, the necessity of previous for investments heretofore made and others that might still be required to take care of the growing trade. The tressur capitalization is \$15,00,000. The Board of Directors will meet before the stockholders meeting to recommend the amount of the

RUSSIAN TRADE IN 1899.

A Failing Off as Compared With 1898 Shows by Statistics Recently Published.

The completed statistics of Russian trade in 1899, which appeared only a short time ago, are still of interest, as the grain trade of Russia exercises a decided influence on that of other countries. The Russian Government keeps the commercial reports for its European and Asinto territories separately, and from these we learn that, compared with itse, there was a failing of in the European trade of 1899 and an increase of that of assiste Russia, for the same year 1899 was \$353,40,000, being a decrease of \$40,000,000, or 0.3 per cent, from that of 1892. The exports and imports almost balanced, the latter \$315,800,000, exports having failen off \$57,045,000 at the same time that imports increased \$10,000,000, cxports having failen off \$57,045,000 at the same time that imports increased \$10,000,000, cxports having failen off \$57,045,000 at the same time that imports increased \$10,000,000, cxports having failen off \$57,045,000 at the same time that imports increased \$10,000,000, cxports having failen off \$57,045,000 at the same time that imports consisted the proceeding years, which placed Russia at a disadvantage in the grain and the same time that imports one state of the coring trade of the kingle of the cori of Russia exercises a decided influence on that of other countries. The Russian Government keeps the commercial reports for

Brunswick and Birmingham Railroad. BRUNSWICK, Ga., Dec. 15 .- The Brunswick BRUNSWICK, Ga., Dec. 15.—The Brunswick and Birmingham Railroad Company was organized in the National Bank here to-day with E. d. Mason and J. J. Lott local directors. The entire capital stock of \$6,750,000 was subscribed and temporary officers elected are: E. C. Machen, New York, President; C. L. Bushnell, New York, Vice-President; George B. Cowlam, New York, Secretary; C. W. Deming, Brunswick, Ga., Assistant Secretary; H. S. Gould, New York, Treasurer: Parks & Twitty and Atkinson & Dunwody, local atterneys.

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Seventeen-Round World's Championship Contest at Which the Police Didn't Interfere -Lillian Russell vs. Jenny Lind in a Tangle of Native Cage-Notes Wild.

condition had improved very much during the day and that he had rallied successfully from his relapse. Dr. Burke declared that he had now very strong hopes that Mr. Faver-sham would recover.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN. Six fires all caused by overheated stoves or chimneys occurred early yesterday morning. Even the police were cold. The second sub-station on Staten island caught fire from an overheated chimney. None of the blazes was serious.

The cold wave with freezing temperatures co ered all the country east of the Rocky Mountains and from Canada south to the Tennessee and Arkaneas valleys; in the Atlantic States the fall was from 6 to 18 degrees, coming to within 4 degrees of zero at Albany and within 12 degrees in New York city.
At Northfield, Vt., and Eastport, Me., it just touched zero. It will moderate after this morning.

Light show was falling yesterday in all the districts around the Great Lakes and the upper Missis-

sippl Valley, and cloudy conditions, with scattered

rain, prevailed in the Southern States; in the Atlantic States it was partly cloudy. The storm on the Florida coast was dissipating. A disturbance was moving down over Montana. Reports from Cal fornia were missing. In this city the day was fair, becoming cloudy toward night; wind fresh to brisk northeasterly; aver-age humidity, 67 per cent.; lowest temperature, 12

above zero; barometer, corrected to read to sea level, at 8 A. M., 30,50; 3 P. M., 30,44. The temperature as recorded by the official there mometer, and also by THE SUN's thermometer at the

street level, is shown in the annexed table: Official Sun's Official Sun's 1900, 1899, 1900, 1900, 1900, 1900, 1899, 1900, 1900, 1899, 1900, 12 M. 10 87' 10' P. M. 22' 30' 34' 35' 26' 12 Mid. 20' 36' 21'

WASHINGTON PORSCAST POR TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW. For New England and eastern New York, fair

and continued cold to day, fair and warmer to-mor-row, tresh north winds. For the District of Columbia, eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, Maryland and

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